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Pentecost 15

Children's sermon

What is your name?

How do I really know?

Can you prove it?

Adults use a driver's license or passport. We know who we are but sometimes that is not enough to prove it.

Jesus asked his disciples who he was and some of them got it wrong. Peter got it right.

How did Peter do this?

Did Jesus have a certificate from god saying this is my son?

Did he have a diploma from Messiah College saying he was top of the class?

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No how did peter know? By what Jesus said and how Jesus acted. Peter knew by watching and listening to Jesus that he was the Christ.

How many of you are Christians? Christians say we will follow and be like Christ in our lives.

Today we baptize Harper and we are all going to say some promises called the baptismal covenant. This covenant is an agreement between me and god as to how I am going to live my life.

We say what we believe and then we say how we will live because of what we believe. We can only be known by what we do. We cannot just say I am a Christian. We have to prove it.

The call by Jesus is to love one another. Sometimes we don't.

Letter to James –poor person, man in rich clothing- love them both the same.

Question -If convicted of being a Christian would there be enough evidence to support you.

We cannot just say we are Christian- by our life we have to prove it.

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